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Searching for the Future workshop with Dave Rickard from the UUA - Saturday, March 6, gathering at 8:30am - workshop 9am - 2pm. **All members and friends are asked to attend this important event.**

GUEST MINISTER

We think we can make life orderly. Many hope that religion will make things simple and clear. It doesn't really do that, but it can do the next best thing. Rev. Kate Rohde has served congregations in Pennsylvania, British Columbia and Georgia and is celebrating her 24th year as a UU minister.

She will present the sermon on Sunday, March 14. Come and hear her well-thought out ideas.

Rev Gail

We Are Giving You Time Off !!!

Because we want to foster an atmosphere of fellowship, the board has voted that the hours between 10:45AM and 12:45PM on Sundays are a time for worship service and a time to share with our church family and friends. We ask that during these hours no meetings, committees or groups take place and no formal or informal talk of church business is to take place.

Take this well-deserved time off to fully enjoy service and to share more deeply with others in fellowship and friendship.

Thanks,

Gary



REV. GAIL'S SPACE

A HOLIDAY OF OUR OWN

All during the church year we celebrate a variety of special days from various, more traditional religions as well as several secular holidays that celebrate our civil religion.

We honor Christmas, Solstice, Hanukah, Kwanzaa, Passover, Easter, Labor Day and Martin Luther King Day. Granted we honor all these holidays through our unique liberal religious lens, but they are still not fully our holidays. I had been thinking lately that we should think about developing a more uniquely UU liturgical calendar with celebrations of birthdays of great figures in our history like Channing, Emerson or Michael Servetus. As I was thinking about this one day, I happened to notice that our sister church in Orlando celebrates what they call "Seven Principles Week." They choose a week that fits their church calendar and provide a little pamphlet of resources so that each family or individual church member can spend some time each day contemplating one of our principles. The guide suggests lighting a candle each night for one of the principles, saying a table grace and discussing the principle with others you share meals with. If you live alone, they suggest writing down some responses to the principle and perhaps calling another member who lives alone and sharing your thoughts.

On the Sunday that ends Seven Principle Week, the Orlando congregation lights all seven candles and, as a gathered community, renews its commitment to try to live these principles every day. I love the idea of setting aside a week and imagining all our members in families or alone really focusing on our principles and sharing their thoughts with others. The Orlando church did this in February ; but, since this is a new concept, it is not yet a denomination-wide tradition, so we could do it whenever we choose. I am proposing that I get the guides they use and modify them for our use. We could designate the week before Easter Sunday as Seven Principle Week at UUCFL. Since it is the time of Easter, Passover and near the Spring Solstice, it is a good time of the year to reexamine and renew our commitment to our free faith. Let me know if you would participate in this activity and think it would be good for our community. Let us live in peace.

REV. GAIL

EMPTY BOWL III NEEDS YOU ON APRIL 1, 2004

Please don't forget to mark your calendars for the third annual Interfaith Empty Bowl Dinner. This year we will not be hosting the dinner here, but we are still active participants and will be expected to make soup, supply workers and, most of all, attend, buy bowls and socialize at one of this year's locations.



Dinners will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the First Congregational Church and at Sunshine Cathedral. We have been working so closely with these churches for some time that I feel they are almost an extension of our community. Check elsewhere in this issue for the bowl making workshop schedule and plan to be an active part in this charity event that was started by our community (with money from a denominational grant) and has grown in such a wonderful way. You have to eat and you may as well eat in our soup kitchen and walk away with a beautiful bowl as well. If you already have as many of these bowls as you want, don't forget that they make great gifts. Once again, the money raised by this event for the Interfaith Coalition to Eliminate Hunger goes to help us provide food, nutritional education and support to the clients at the Cooperative Feeding Program.

Rev. Gail and the Outreach Task Force

**WELCOME
TO OUR BOOK GROUP**



All intrepid UUCFL readers are cordially invited to join our book discussion group on March 28 when we will gather after church to discuss "The Tipping Point: How Little Things Can Make a Big Difference" by Malcolm Gladwell. One reviewer says about this book, "It is an elegant exploration of how social epidemics work, whether they are fashion trends, diseases or behavior patterns such as crime." This is a book that should make you see the world a bit differently.

On May 2, we will have our intergenerational discussion of the latest Harry Potter book. The last time we did this the adults were all very impressed by the insights offered by Spike Friend and Eric Griswold. We hope to see even more of the young and young at heart at this discussion. Start reading now and be careful when you are carrying or holding the book; it is so thick and heavy it could be a lethal weapon.

Our last book of the year will be "Small Gods" by Terry Pratchett. It is an English fantasy novel that raises lots of interesting theological questions. Discussion date TBA.

It is not too early to offer suggestions for next year. I am thinking we should discuss "The Da Vinci Code" by Dan Brown or maybe his other book "Angels and Demons" or both. "The Secret Life of Bees" by Sue Monk Kid is another novel several folks have felt is important. It also might be fun to read some biographies on famous UU's like Emerson, Theodore Parker or Margaret Fuller. Read and come join us for stimulation, fun and fellowship.

Rev. Gail

Wilma Greben just moved into an assisted living setting where her meds are supervised, etc. Please circulate this new address. A number of church people sent her Christmas cards. Her new address is:

Aspen Village
150 Quebec Street, Apt. 254
Denver, CO 80230
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UU SISTERHOOD

The UU Sisterhood is taking a look at building bonds between women. During the month of March we will be discussing: Are You My "Sister"? Life Lived, Life Shared, Bonds Made.

Come, join us and make a new friend. We meet the first and third Sundays of the month, March 7th and 21st, in the multipurpose room. Juice and coffee are provided. If you have any questions, e-mail Jane Townsend at town9898@bellsouth.net. Hope to see you there.

Jane Townsend



THANKS FOR BEING A CARING COMMUNITY

As I write this, I have just been over to meet our first guest family from the Community Based Shelter Program. I am sure this hands-on help program will be a great blessing to all who participate. I was involved with one of these church based shelter programs in Arizona, and it has been my dream for five years to see us participate in one here. It makes so much sense as a way for churches to give a helping hand to those who have fallen upon difficult times. A big hug to Sandy Harris who helped organize it and hugs also to the many church members who gave time, company and food. To me, this is what religious community is all about.

Rev. Gail



March Birthdays:

- 3/1-Vernon Allen, Kathleen Rhoad & El Rhondda (Mr. Y) Ystradyfodwg
- 3/2-Jenny Hunt-Winters, 3/4-Simone Ryals
- 3/10-Rev. Gail Tapscott
- 3/13-David Fisher, Susan Dirgins Friend
- 3/14-Morgan Laign, 3/18-Zach Griffiths
- 3/20-Cory Cockerham, 3/21-Joyce Tarnow
- 3/22-Mary Teslow, 3/23-Ivor Vidal
- 3/25-Lauren Murphy, 3/27-Rachel Donelson

DATE	TIME	PLACE	ACTIVITY	RE INFORMATION
March 7	11:00 AM	Class-rooms	Children's Chapel RE Classes Theme: World Religions	<p><u>DRE'S OFFICE HOURS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calls accepted any day Phone: 561-279-4281 Fax: 561-279-8511 • Email: dreileen@aol.com <p><u>NOTES TO PARENTS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♥ Check your RE mailbox weekly! ♥ Offering: Remind children that we collect an offering every Sunday. ♥ Check RE Bulletin Board for Sunday School lessons & events. <p><u>RE TASK FORCE MEETING</u> (Held in Teen Room) Second Sunday of Every Month 12:30 p.m.</p> <p>RE CO-CHAIRS: SUSAN DIRGINS FRIEND 954-424-1910 JANE TOWNSEND 954-753-9956</p> <p>•</p> <p>UPCOMING EVENTS: EMPTY BOWL DINNER April 1st-5:00 pm to 7:00 pm Sunshine Cathedral & 1st Congregation Church</p>
March 14	11:00 AM	Class-rooms	RE Classes Bowl Making Begins (11:00 am to 2:00 PM)	
March 14	12:45 PM	Teen Rm	RE TASK FORCE	
March 21	11:00 AM	Class-rooms	Choir & RE Classes	
March 28	11:00 AM	Class-rooms	RE Classes and RE-HEARSAL FOR EASTER SUNDAY Bowl Glazing (11:00 am to 2:00 PM)	
				

MARCH THEME

PRINCIPLE: Insist on freedom, justice and peace.

CHILDREN'S COLLECTION — PLEASE GIVE YOUR CHILD MONEY

SOCIAL JUSTICE PROJECT: Making bowls for the Empty Bowl Event

PARENT/CHILDREN DISCUSSION TOPIC — Habits that are good and bad

**TO THE 62 PEOPLE WHO ATTENDED THE FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY ACTIVITY —
A GREAT BIG THANK YOU**

The teachers have certainly appreciated the regular attendance of all our children. Also, we thank the teenagers for coming to church.

The rehearsals for the Easter Program begin 3/28 with more to follow.

Please check windows and doors to see if they are closed and locked.

We are looking for teachers for next year: the theme is World Religions. See Eileen.



Sunday Service Workshop:

I don't know if you've heard this but the Sunday Service Committee is the one that always has fun. We'd like to share this with a few more people, So come join us at our annual Sunday Service Workshop on March 27th at 9:30 am. Have you ever wondered how it is decided what we see on Sunday Mornings? Have you ever thought to yourself, "I could do a Sunday Service", Have you ever wondered why we do the service in a certain order? This year at the Workshop we will be learning the secrets of the Sunday Service, talking about what topics might interest us in the coming year and discussing which parts of the service we like and which we don't. A light lunch will be provided. If you are at all interested in providing our church with a Sunday Service please come to the workshop with your idea in hand. If you are curious about why we do the service this way, or if you are interested in getting us to change a part of our current tradition, this would be a great opportunity to make that happen... We are extending the invitation to our youth, our adults and elders as well as some guests from the cluster. Please let Nancy know in the office if you are planning on attending so we can prepare materials and food for you. I promise you an entertaining and informative Saturday.

Myra C. Symons-Kazanci
Sunday Service Committee Chair

UUA TRUSTEE TIDBITS

As a result of visiting one of our Florida congregations, and hopefully sparking an interest in becoming actively involved in social justice in their community, I researched social justice through www.uua.org for additional areas of concern and [www.socialjustice@uua.org](mailto:socialjustice@uua.org).

One important issue is "accessibility". Persons with disabilities are members of America's largest minority, cutting across racial, ethnic, religious, economic, and social lines. The UUA committed itself to the removal of all barriers that prevent the full participation of persons with disabilities. The UUA Board of Trustees appointed an Accessibility Committee to provide planning, implementation, and support to our congregations because so many have yet to remove the barriers that keep some away from our religious communities.

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I offer suggestions to help you get started. Before becoming an "accessible congregation" an audit must be conducted to determine the architectural, attitudinal, and communications barriers currently existing. Once the physical barriers have been removed, it is time to make certain all activities are "user friendly". This should include the use of an amplified sound system and assisted listening devices plus large print orders-of-service, hymns, and readings. There should be a list of volunteers willing to provide transportation. Greeters need training in the etiquette of welcoming persons with disabilities. I can be reached at jlund@uua.org or 813-931-9727.

Joan Lund

MUSIC NOTES



I hope you were able to come to the February 15 service to hear the triple choir. It is not often that we have a 50-voice chorus to sing praises at UUCFL. We wish to thank all those who participated in this wonderful program. If you were unable to come in February, the same three choirs will join in the service at River of Grass on March 14. Our thanks to Dave and Jim for making arrangements with Robin Swan and Gail Giese, choir directors at the Boca Raton and ROG locations. Perhaps we can continue this event annually. On a personal note, it was great to see old friends again.

Our Spring Chamber Music program will be April 18 at 4:00 PM. This promises to be a highlight of the UUCFL music series. Jeremy Miller, violinist, Robert Moore, cellist, Dorothy Muise, pianist will present some lovely music in an intimate atmosphere. Other guest artists may be included, so stay tuned! As always the center portion of the program will be performances by the talented young musicians of our church family. Parents – if your child is studying music, please speak to Dot Muise to schedule them on the program. Although we pay our professional violinist and cellist, there is no charge to the audience. The Chamber Music Concert is a gift to our church family. However, any donations are gratefully accepted.

Thank you to Alfredo Tamburrino for the lovely flute solo on February 8. We will hear more of this wonderful sound in the near future. Also you may expect to hear vocal solos soon from choir members, and a piano duet. We are so blessed with all the talent in our church.

Dot Muise

**CLUSTER WORKSHOP on
DEEP CARING and RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Florida District Living Tradition Council and The Southeast Cluster present a workshop with Rev. Mary Higgins, District Executive, on DEEP CARING and RISK MANAGEMENT; beyond insurance and the legal system.

Don't be scared! Rev. Mary Higgins will lead us through an area that we normally don't want to think about. She will show us ways to protect our children and youth, our volunteers and our financial resources. How can we preserve our 501(c)(3) status and protect our employees and programs? Each congregational team present will receive a copyrighted "Congregational Risk Management Audit Packet." These packets will guide congregations to do an assessment and develop a preliminary risk management plan.

The workshop will be Saturday, April 3, 2004, from 9:45 am to 3:30 pm at the First UU Congregation of the Palm Beaches, 635 Prosperity Farms Rd., North Palm Beach. Registration is \$12 advance; \$15 after March 24th post-mark and at the door. Registration includes a Congregational Risk Assessment packet, Lunch and Continental Breakfast. For a registration form see the District Packet or contact Steve Jens-Rochow, 954-463-2085 or SJens-Rochow@comcast.net.

Steve Jens-Rochow

Fellowship News

Let the love continue – the Caring Committee needs help. We have many people lately in need of a call, a visit, food and a card. Please, let me know if you can help (954-561-3233).

The Brown Bag Lunch group will gather at 12 on Wednesday, March 3rd for lunch and conversation. Last month we had a lively conversation about the candidates for the Presidential Primaries and then went on to kitchen germs. (It's hard to get rid of both.)

Eating Out on Saturday the 27th of March will be 6 pm at Bidly Early's Pub on Andrews Avenue, a few blocks north of Oakland Park Blvd. We're returning here as it's a great place for Irish favorites.



Ellen Lubin

**SEARCHING FOR THE FUTURE -
WORKSHOP WITH DAVE RICKARD FROM
UUA SAT., MARCH 6 GATHERING AT 8:30 AM**

As Church President, I am excited about our journey into the future. We are about to come together to discuss our shared vision - what our church stands for, its mission in the world, and specific goals that are a part of this mission. We have a lot of momentum right now with lots of great things going on, and I think this is the perfect time to focus and direct that positive energy together.

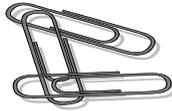
The UU Church of Ft Lauderdale is taking a big step in that direction, and we need all of our members and friends to participate in the "Searching for the Future" program Saturday, March 6th right here at the church. We have invited Dave Rickard back from the UUA, and he will be spending the morning and afternoon with us to do just that. The most important element in this process is you. It will be a highly participatory and collective thinking, dreaming, and building workshop, and we want ideas from all members of our congregation. You will help create our new vision and mission statements, and we will discuss some specific goals that we can begin to work on. While there will be some discussion of the past history as it is important to know where we came from, the focus of this workshop will be on where we are going. To give some insight and thoughts to ponder, I am excerpting some explanations from Dave Rickard on what he will be working on with us:

Vision — describes the organization in 50 words or less. It is generally permanent but should be revisited periodically, perhaps every five years.

Mission — describes in a series of statements the organization's relationship to the world. Viewed another way, describes the most important elements to carry out the Vision. Mission statements tend to be stable but can be modified over time.

Goals — describe practical projects to support one or more missions. Goals should have measurable results and target dates for completion. Make yourself a part of history here at UUCFL. Please attend this very important event on March 6th.

GARY Ladka — President

KIP'S CLIPS**Faerie Elaine Returns:**

Saturday, March 6th, at 7:00 pm, Faerie Elaine Silver will return to share her beautiful voice in concert and her original music. Guitar and melody will intertwine as we raise the energy of song. For the second set, we will move outside to the campfire and draw down the magick of the full moon. \$10 at the door. Kids free.

Kip

Endowment Update!

It's that taxing time of year. Don't you wish you had more to write off? If you can't meet the minimum for the Charitable Deduction, consider paying your next year's pledge into Endowment. We will pass it on to the church come January, and you will have the larger deduction for this year.

Soon you will see a mailing about your Endowment and proposed changes to it's Bylaws. These will be to bring our election procedures more in line with how the church does things. But it will take us a full page to say so, and our newsletter editors do not want us clogging up their valuable real estate. Stand by for incoming mail.

--Kip, Endowment Trustee

Labyrinth Cafe!

The cafe folks have canceled their March 13th concert. So, enjoy Faerie Elaine instead, or check out the talent around town on St. Patrick's Day. Save Saturday, April 10, for Amy Carole Webb & Suzanne Buirgy when the Labyrinth Cafe reopens in full glory.

--Kip, Cafe Roadie

It's All Happening on the Web.

At uucfl.org/packet.htm we explain what we give our new members. One addition is a Member Contact Information Form that tells us who to call if you have a serious emergency. Who besides you know how to locate your relatives up North? We have a file in the church office. Take a look at uucfl.org/info.htm

--Kip, Webperson

WEB SITES TO VISIT

www.religionreview.com-Website of the "Religion Review" magazine covers the daily news of major religions and movements.

www.magdalone.org-"There's Something about Mary Magdalene" Website on the mystery woman of religion, the religious figure featured in the novel "The Da Vinci Code" by Dan Brown. It has a gallery of beautiful artwork on the subject and sells logos, t-shirts, coffee mugs, etc.

www.icna.org- This is the Official website of the Islamic Council of North America.

Joe De Angelis, Church Library

**Women in Distress - Thank you**

On behalf of the families served by Women In Distress of Broward County Inc, thank you for your contribution of holiday gifts and checks. I am sure they will bring many smiles to the faces of our clients.

Last year we served thousands of women and children at our Moran Family Center and emergency shelters and fielded thousands more hotline calls. Many women and children fleeing abuse leave with literally nothing but the clothes on their backs. The holidays are particularly stressful times and are extremely difficult for these women and children to traverse. At a time when they should be at home experiencing the joys of the season, they are simply trying to stay alive until the New Year.

Your contribution will help make this time of year more joyous and hopeful for these clients. It is through support such as this that we can continue to keep our doors open and work toward our mission—to Stop Abuse For Everyone (S.A.F.E.).

Again, many thanks for your support and generosity. You truly make a difference.

Melissa M. Wagner

Director of Development



Board Minutes:

The Board of Trustees of the UUCFL met on January 4, 2004. Below is a synopsis of business discussed.

The Treasurer had no report, as the financials for the month had not closed yet.

The Minister highlighted the fact that church members are more active in pastoral care of their fellow congregants. She sees the church acting more as a community.

The Religious Education Director was not present, and did not file a report.

Re-keying of the building is postponed until after Etz Chaim officially ends their rental relationship with the church, which will most likely occur in March or April.

Bob Van Sickle has received three bids on cleaning out the playground area. He is also looking at a local provider for playground equipment.

Kip presented a number of thoughts on the Canvass, which was well received and considered a success. The Board decided to mail pledge statements to members every other month.

In order to use the UUA's sales mark for the "Uncommon Denomination" slogan, the church is required to sign an agreement. Gary signed this document. The church is also required to complete a survey, which Kip will do, and present the survey results to the Board next month before forwarding it to the UUA.

Kip presented an updated "Qualified Donor List" to the Board. This is an approved list of entities that are 501(c) certified that can request grants from the fund. The Board approved the list with minor amendments.

Erik reported that the teens and teen parents met to discuss an RE curriculum for the teens. It was decided by both groups that the teens preferred to set their own agendas, including volunteer work and fund raising.

Dave Rickard will be invited back to the church the weekend of January 30th to participate in the creation of a vision for the church.

Cam Enright was appointed to be Nominating Committee.

Young Minds In Fellowship (YMIF) has volunteered to run the Rummage Sale. A date has not yet been chosen for the event.

Full minutes are posted on the bulletin board in RE wing or in the office for your perusal.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Giblin

**Board Minutes:**

The Board of Trustees of the UUCFL met on February 2, 2004. Below is a synopsis of business discussed.

The Treasurer reports that collections have been good and our pledge income has been high, as some people like to turn in their pledge money early in the year.

The Minister highlighted the fact that she has been active this past month in planning for the upcoming Empty Bowls event and has performed four memorial services. She has not had much opportunity to take study leave.

The Religious Education Director reports that attendance has been very high, with some Sundays seeing over thirty children. Twenty-five people attended the Martin Luther King Jr. parade. Next year's RE curriculum will be "World Religions".

Gary Ladka and Bob Van Sickle are working on obtaining bids from companies that will design and install playgrounds from start to finish. These bids will take into account the current budget for the new playground.

The Board approved setting aside a "Newcomers Corner" table during coffee hour, to be staffed by a church member, that will offer a place for visitors to sit and get information about the church.

The Board approved reserving 10:45AM to 12:45PM on Sundays for only Sunday Service and Coffee Hour. No other meetings or church business will be held at these times.

The Board approved Dave Rickard returning to the church the weekend of March 5th through March 7th for the Visioning weekend, in which a vision statement for the church will be drafted.

Church security remains an issue. Following the Sunday service on February 1st, most of the church doors and windows were left unlocked or open. Everyone must take a role in protecting our property.

Kristine Barkley was appointed to the Nominating Committee. The tentative date for the Rummage Sale is April 17th.

Full minutes are posted on the bulletin board in the RE wing or in the office for your perusal.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Giblin



**For Calendar
visit uucfl.org/events.htm**

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• **Young Minds & Fellowship**

Adam Tritt

954-382-0980

Church Concerns



Kitchen Angels Needed !

We need dish & dishwasher detergents, sponges, paper goods (plates, cups, & napkins), window cleaner, plastic bags and aluminum foil. A One-hour "kitchen cleaning" would be greatly appreciated. Boxed milk, cookies, and crackers, as well as, coffee and tea are ALWAYS welcome.

The JOURNEY Newsletter

Please submit articles via email to: journey@uucfl.org or at the church office.

Publication Deadline:
See Schedule Below

Remember the Hungry People Around Us
Continue To Fill The Food Containers in the Sanctuary
for the Cooperative Feeding Program

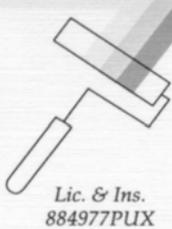


The Market Place

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JOURNEY DEADLINES FOR 2004

April Journey due March 14th
May Journey due April 11th
June Journey due May 16th
July/August Journey due June 13th
September Journey due August 15th
October Journey due September 12th
November Journey due October 17th
December Journey due November 14th

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SUNDAY SERVICES:

March 7 – **A Unitarian Universalist-Style Tour of the Criminal Justice System** – Guest speaker Mara Taub, Director of the National Coalition for Prisoners Rights and author of “Juries, The Conscience of the Community” will help us better understand both the role of juries in the criminal justice system and the pressing need for prison reform. Prison reform is a current Study/Action issue in UU congregations. Join us for a light lunch after the service as we hear more from Mara and discuss what we can do to address this issue.

March 14 – **Messy Life** – We think we can make life orderly. Many hope that religion will make things simple and clear. It doesn't really do that, but it can do the next best thing. Pulpit guest Rev. Kate Rohde has served Unitarian Universalist congregations in Pennsylvania, British Columbia and Georgia, and she is celebrating her 24th year as a minister.

March 21 – **Roots and Wings VII: Wisdom From the World's Religions**- Most world religions have what is known as a wisdom tradition that is separate from their primary scriptures. Often this is found in short teaching stories. Rev. Gail will explore the wisdom stories from Hasidic Judaism, Buddhism, Christianity and the Sufis of the Islamic world.

March 28 – **The Myths of America**-In this time of hype about what it means to be a patriot, Rev. Gail will examine some of the true myths that our country rests upon. She will also examine some of the spiritual implications of our civic monuments and buildings.

April 4 – **Harry Potter Grows Up and Frodo Lives**- Rev. Gail will attempt to look at some of the most popular fantasy literature of our time through the lens of liberal religion. You don't have to be too familiar with the Potter books or “Lord of the Rings” to follow the sermon but it will be a richer experience for you if you have read the books and or seen the movies.